



**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**  
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LRB Number <b>09-0797/1</b>	Introduction Number <b>AB-0033</b>	Estimate Type <b>Original</b>
<b>Description</b> Technical changes that affect the public debt amortization fund of a first class city.		

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

If enacted this bill will allow the City of Milwaukee to expand the use of its existing public debt amortization fund. The bill would allow the city to acquire notes and securities in addition to city bonds and other listed securities. It also allows the city to use the public debt amortization fund to pay principal and interest on general obligation bonds or notes without regard to the maturity date of the bond or note.

The local fiscal estimate of the bill is indeterminate because the Department does not have sufficient information to determine the financial health of Milwaukee's public debt amortization fund, or to determine what decisions the public debt commission would make with the expanded ability to invest in city notes and securities and pay the principal and interest on general obligation bonds or notes without regard to the maturity date of the bond or note.

Finally, under current law the secretary of the commission that manages the public debt amortization fund must make an annual report on the fund to the common council by January 15th. The bill changes the date of annual report to September 30th. The commission decides in September of each year the amount of the funds that will be used to pay debt. The Department does not anticipate that the change in date will have a fiscal impact.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**